



# Psycho-social place appropriation scale. Mesuring an other dimension of a transdisciplinarity concept

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## Social Psychology

Attitudinal & Conative PA

No man's scientific land ...



**PSPA scale**  
 Lopez, Charles & Dias

Some examples of questions:  
 (not valid translation from the french original version)

"When you go to that place and see other people you feel safe"

"If you couldn't go to that place anymore, you would experience that as an unfairness"

"You think that decisions about this place is your business you and that it would be normal to ask your opinion"

"Other people's presence prevents you from doing what you want freely"

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## Ethology

Behavioral PA

Fisher's control, transformations, and self expression (1980) & Altman's definition of territoriality (1975)



Behavioral maps  
 Proshansky, H.M. (1976)  
 Observation  
 Fischer's criteria (1980)

## Population

Step A: 188 students  
 Step B: 93 people living close to a transport infrastructure or about to

## Exploratory factorial analysis

- 3 FACTORS  
 1 - Others apprehension  
 2 - Perceived rights  
 3 - Striving for exclusivity

## Explained variance (%)

Step A 1 = 25,5 2 = 21,7 3 = 18,1  
 Step B 1 = 23,6 2 = 18,6 3 = 15,5

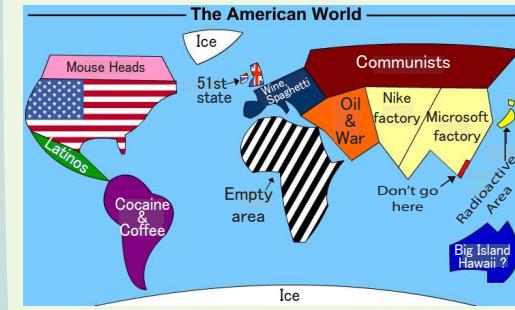
## Reliability ( $\alpha$ Cronbach)

Step A 1 = .76 2 = .64 3 = .56  
 Step B 1 = .69 2 = .46 3 = .30

## Environmental Psychology

Cognitive PA

De Waele, Morval & Sheitoyan (1992) and Morval & Corbière (2000): cognitive representations developed from exploratory



Spatial reconstruction game  
 Ramadier, T. & Depeau, S. (2006)

Mental mapping  
 Lynch, K. (1960)

Place appropriation scale  
 Morval & Corbière (2000)

## Confirmatory factorial analysis

11, 9 and 8 item models were tested. Here, the results of the most parsimonial and satisfying model : 8 items over 3 orthogonal factors

	AIC	dl/X <sup>2</sup>	GFI	AGFI	RMSEA
Step A	0,426	3,07	0,932	0,883	0,9
Step B	0,518	0,81	0,954	0,921	0

## Convergence

$\tau$ de Kendall	Perceived rights	Others apprehension
Place attachment*	$\tau = 3,88^{**}$	$\tau = 7,79^{**}$
Place identity*	$\tau = 4,08^{**}$	

\*according to Jorgensen & Stedman (2001)

\*\* significance for  $p < .001$